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The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's Representative at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this communication.

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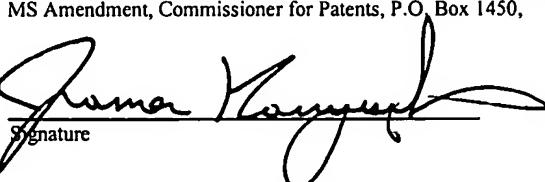
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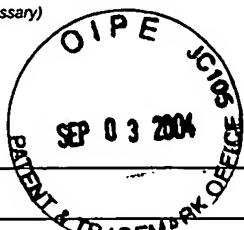

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